



eWE

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Cleveland Alumni Chapter

Dear Fraters,

It has been long overdue, and I apologize for the delay in publishing electronically our inaugural edition of the e-WE.

Our fraternity has experienced several changes over the past few years. We have seen our numbers dwindle and our activities diminished. We, however have survived, weathered the storm and are beginning to rise and grow again. Our meetings are once again superb with excellent speakers; our Executive Director, **Debbie Polk** is well organized and the AO Study Club has been revised and renewed.

Thank you to **Sylvia Malcmacher Kramer** for taking that task on, doing all the work and being the guiding force.

As Sylvia has taken it upon herself to revive the AO Study Club, all of us who value the existence of Alpha Omega Cleveland need to do their part, take time out of their busy life and give back to AO.

Alpha Omega is founded on "Judaism", professionalism and fraternal and fraternal triangle, the history of which is found in the following excerpt written by National Historian, Walter I Levine in 1957 in his book ***Fifty Years History of Alpha Omega Fraternity***:

In the excerpts from the history of Alpha Omega we read that the "WE" first made it's appearance in 1942 and was first edited by my grandfather, **Joseph Robbins**. He continued to write and contribute to the "WE" for 50 years, writing the featured "gossip" column until his death in 1993. In his waning years, I assisted him in writing his column, and in memory and honor to him, and all of our past Fraters who worked diligently to form and keep our fraternity alive, I will help re-establish "WE" in electronic form.



News...News...Simchas

Mazel Tov.....

Arie and **Dani Schwartz** on the birth of a son, Elisha.

Ben and **Avielle Silver** on the birth of a daughter, Hannah.

Avi and Deena Zimmerman Scher on the birth of a daughter, Lola.

Adam and **Sasha Ross Yanowitz** on the birth of a daughter, Nora.

Teri and **Dan German** on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ezra.

Fred and Lisa Lurie on the birth of a grandson, Cayden. First child of son Josh and Christine Lurie

We are very proud of our Fratter, **Steve Marsh**. We know it has been a busy and rewarding year, and looking forward to your increased wisdom in helping our local chapter thrive.

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Dr. Matthew Popper (Oral Surgeon working with Alperin & Fried)

Dr. Britni Skoda (General Dentist working with Peter Gordon)

Dr. Louisa Schindelheim (working at Summa Center for Dental Health in Akron)

Laura Lawrence (Graduating Dental School, CWRU – 2019)

Within the year we will be welcoming two Ohio State University School of Dentistry Alpha Omega Chapter members who will be returning to Cleveland:

Danielle Richman Graduating Dental School – 2019)

Elissa Rosner (Graduating Dental School – 2019)



“The nuts don’t fall too far....”

Gerry Adelstein -- Rick Adelstein -- Melanie Adelstein (Case Western Reserve - Class of 2021)

Raymond Willen -- David Willen -- Howard Willen -- Michael Willen

Norm Golovan -- Bruce Golovan -- Gary Golovan

Daniel German -- Laura Lawrence

Richard Stroom - Jason Stroom -- Mindy Stroom

Allen Robbins -- Cheryl Stern

Louis Malcmacher -- Sylvia Malcmacher Kramer -- Meryl Kramer Brown -- Ilana Kramer

Joseph Robbins -- Edward Robbins -- Alan Robbins -- Kenneth Lawrence -- Eric Lawrence -- Zachary Lawrence -- Laura Lawrence -(WOW)

Associate Wanted.....

Full time associate wanted for Multi-Door private practice. High compensation. Privately owned office. Superior team in place using assistants and EFDA’s to support you. Location is on east side of Cleveland. Please call Dr. Jeff Rosenthal 216-905-8454 or email smileo@msn.com

Full or part time associate person available in a solo practice in North Royalton/Strongsville area. Please call Dr. Paul Mikhli at 614-327-2466 for more details.

More Mazel Tov.....



Ms. Lorrie Lawrence of Lyndhurst and Dr. and Mrs. Eric S. Lawrence of Lyndhurst happily announce the marriage of their son, Dr. Zachary Robert Lawrence, to Mrs. Laura German Lawrence on Sept. 2, 2018.

Zachary and Laura were married at Kirtland Country Club in Kirtland. Rabbi Daniel Utley officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Ms. Genie German of Hudson and Dr. and Mrs. Dan German of Beachwood. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Elaine German; Mrs. Bonnie German and the late Bill German; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Devorkin and the late Dr. and Mrs. Frank Dzurik. Laura is a fourth-year dental student at Case Western Reserve University and will graduate in May 2019.

The groom is the grandson of Jewell Goldstein and the late Shiah Goldstein and the late Sandra and Phillip Lawrence. Zachary graduated from Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry in May 2018 and is an orthodontic resident at Case Western Reserve University.

The couple resides in Lyndhurst.

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The Alpha Omega International Dental Fraternity is the oldest international dental organization. Alpha Omega (AO) also has the distinction of being the oldest international Jewish medical organization.

AO was founded at the

University of Maryland School of Dental Medicine in 1907 by a group of dental students. During those times, Jewish students were not permitted to form social groups so the Maryland students formed AO to fight discrimination. Little did they know but their efforts have created a lasting imprint on AO members to this day. Discrimination is not as prevalent but it still occurs. The AO international community is comprised of over 100 alumni and student chapters in ten countries. AO is an inclusive organization that welcomes people from all cultural backgrounds but our Mission, Vision, and Values are guided by our three tenets of professionalism, fraternalism and commitment to Judaic values.



Our Mission

To offer dentists, oral health professionals and students a welcoming fraternal community that honors the organization's

Judaic heritage, provides opportunities to attain professional excellence and promotes access to oral health care for all.

Our Vision

Alpha Omega envisions communities where everyone has access to oral health care and whose members can contribute to the well-being of others.

Our Values

Integrity: Acknowledging and demonstrating that our core values guide our commitments and actions;

Compassion & Inclusion: Engaging all who share our core values to participate in our efforts to realize our vision;

Generosity: Sharing our knowledge, skills and resources to promote oral health as well as personal and professional growth.

Our Principles

- Access to oral health and wellness
- Promoting social justice
- Tikkun Olam (Repair an ailing world)

Community Outcomes

Establishing and nurturing high-trust networks and relationships to realize our full potential for personal growth and professional achievement. Providing avenues for oral health professionals to contribute to improve the health and well-being of their local and global communities.

Execution Strategies

- Provide high-quality and diverse continuing education opportunities
- Nurture oral health care students by inclusion in alumni activities as well as mentorship by individual alumni
- Engage alumni families through locally hosted social gatherings
- Engage and welcome all dental professionals to share our vision and principles

Philanthropic Engagement

- Raise awareness of the integral nature of the Alpha Omega Foundations, Funds and Trusts to the realization of our mission and vision, especially its support for dental education in Israel
- Increase awareness and advocate for improved access to oral health care throughout the world
- Partner with like-minded organizations to promote social justice and improve oral health, such as donating our time and talent for the care of Holocaust Survivors in need

AO welcomes new members into the community. Please contact Heidi Weber, Executive Director, for more information.

